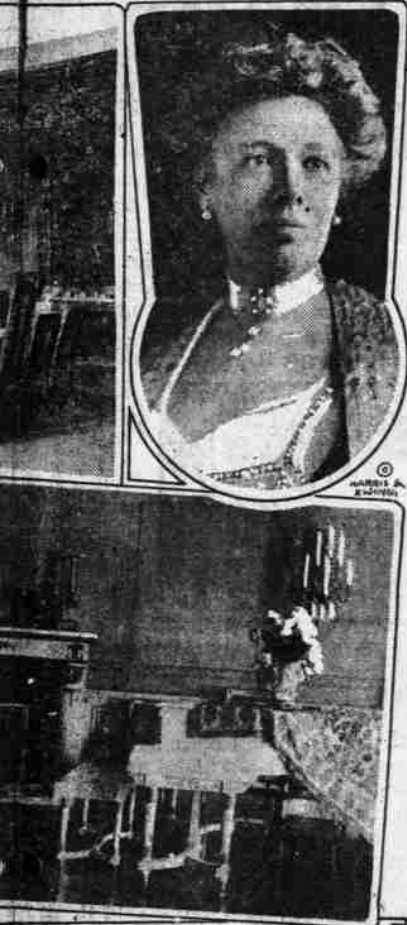


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and Mrs. Jafray. Mrs. Taft went over this carefully, and wherever new stock was needed it was ordered.

This is usually done by other presidents' wives only once during their residence in the executive mansion, but Mrs. Taft has seen to it personally each year. Consequently, the linen and china closets and the silver chests are in better shape than they ever were.

When an inventory is taken only once in four years many things are "found missing." Valuable and historic articles are mysteriously spirited away, never to be heard of again. Mrs. Taft even went over the list of cooking utensils, some 200 in number, and the stock was replenished, the very latest equipment being added.

The East, Red, Blue and Green rooms were freshened up this fall. The walls were retinted and some of the furniture recovered. The living apartments of the family were not changed materially.

If Mrs. Taft has a fad it is housekeeping. At her summer home in Beverly she did the entire marketing for the household, going to the stores and selecting carefully the food for each day, buying just enough and of the best, and paying cash for each thing.

In Washington she has a conference with her steward and housekeeper each day about purchases for the next.

New curtains have been put up and closets built in.

A list of all china, silver, glassware and linen was prepared for the president's wife by the White House steward.